## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 971 By DeBerry L

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize April Rich upon being named to the 2002-2003 National Honor Roll.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those students who, through their natural talents and unwavering commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, April Rich is most assuredly one such exceptional student who is richly deserving of this legislative body's commendation; and

WHEREAS, a resident of Memphis, Ms. Rich has recently been selected for inclusion on the 2002-2003 National Honor Roll, which recognizes the accomplishments of the top 4.5% of all U.S. high school students; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable young woman, as a member of the 2002-2003 National Honor Roll, will have her name, picture, and a biography of her significant achievements published alongside America's other leading high school students, and will be eligible for one of twenty-five scholarships awarded annually by the Educational Research Center of America in cooperation with the National Honor Roll; and

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WHEREAS, through industrious study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, April Rich has achieved extraordinary academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in our great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rich epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; in an age where the youth of our country face great challenges, we can proudly state without equivocation that April Rich represents all that is good in our young people today; and

WHEREAS, her significant achievement is a great source of pride for her family, her school, her community, and this great State; and

WHEREAS, April Rich's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition in academic areas surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rich's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor April Rich upon being selected for inclusion on the 2002-2003 National Honor Roll, commend her impressive academic record, congratulate her on this most prestigious national recognition, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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